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More charges in Blanton case

by Lilly Adkins
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — The Johnson County Grand Jury issued 41 indictments last Wednesday, including one against a man charged with having taken physical possession of farm equipment and livestock stolen from Larry Blanton, whose body was found along with his wife Sandra's near a barn on the their property.

Tom E. Marsillett, 39, of Prestonsburg, is charged with theft by unlawful taking under \$10,000 (farm equipment) and theft by unlawful taking under \$10,000 (livestock).

According to the indictment, on or about Sept. 27, 2012, Marsillett knowingly and unlawfully took physical possession of a backhoe digger valued at \$1,500 and livestock cattle valued at \$1,500 stolen from Larry Blanton of Oil Springs.

The Blantons' son, William

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Thirteen arrested in 'cleanup'

by Lilly Adkins
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PAINTSVILLE — Officers with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, working in conjunction with members of Operation UNITE, began "Operation Spring Cleanup" last Thursday, arresting 13 people charged with multiple drug-related offenses.

Joseph "Joey" Young, Jason Spencer, David Mullins, Karen Mullins, Evalene Childers, Frank Childers, Jon Erik Blair, Cheskla

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COLLECTING FOR CALEB



THE PAINTSVILLE POLICE Department in cooperation with the family of a young Johnson County cancer patient, Caleb Cook, collected donations Saturday, April 20, at various locations in Paintsville from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The 6-year-old boy was diagnosed in September 2012 with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. All proceeds go to Caleb, and anyone interested in contributing can drop off their donations at Paintsville City Hall on Main Street or mail them to Caleb Cook, P.O. Box 57, Wittensville, Ky. 41274.



Regional disaster exercise scheduled today, tomorrow

If you see yellow and blue decontamination tents dotting your local landscape on or around April 24, be assured there is no cause for alarm.

It will simply be the Region 10 Healthcare Planning Coalition (HPC) conducting a regional full-scale exercise dealing with a mock anthrax/white powder disaster in which those persons "exposed" to the white powder will have to be decontaminated on site and transported to the local hospital for decontamination again.

The regional exercise referred to as "Operation Omega Shield" will be from 9 a.m. until noon on April 24 and 25. The exercise not only involves first responders but other members of the healthcare community as well. They will be responding to the mock anthrax disaster as if it were a real world event. If you

happen to visit one of the nine hospitals or health departments, long-term care facilities, some government buildings, etc., throughout the region April 24-25, you may see activities or hear conversations that are not normally a part of day-to-day operations. These will be part of the exercise.

Region 10 HPC has been meeting regularly since 2003 for an all-hazards approach planning to make provisions for medical care to be delivered to large volumes of patients that could easily overwhelm a single or multiple healthcare facilities and/or a single- or multiple-county region. The Region 10 HPC is

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Doctor settles civil claims

by Lilly Adkins
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

FRANKFORT — A Floyd County doctor paid the federal government \$50,000 to settle civil claims against her after she failed to account for nearly 5,000 prescription pills at her office, according to U.S. Attorney Kerry B. Harvey.

Prestonsburg physician Laura Hazeltine also surrendered her Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration. Doctors are only allowed to write prescriptions for controlled substances if they are registered with the DEA and registrants are also required by federal law to maintain complete and accurate inventory and dispensing records of all controlled substances.

According to the settlement agreement, the U.S. government contends that from June 2009 through May 2012, Hazeltine failed to maintain accurate inventory records of controlled substances and that an audit conducted by the DEA

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Drug forum is Saturday

PAINTSVILLE — Medical professionals are invited to attend a free training on prescription drug abuse and diversion Saturday, April 27, at the Ramada in Paintsville.

The free symposium provides information about new state reporting requirements, the importance of understanding addiction, and presents ideas to help providers effectively treat pain while reducing the risk for abuse.

The "Kentucky Medical Communities UNITED" forum — pre-

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Bids awarded for asphalt projects

BSN Staff Report

FRANKFORT — More than \$27 million in asphalt rehabilitation projects will be awarded by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet as the spring construction season gets underway.

The first asphalt projects of the season are distributed over 45 counties, including Lawrence, Johnson, Floyd and Magoffin.

"Maintaining our roadways is one of the most important responsibilities of the Transportation Cabinet," Kentucky Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock said. "Well-maintained roads are safer for motorists. They're also important

for economic development and community growth."

A total of \$2,303,138 in contracts was awarded for Lawrence, Johnson, Floyd and Magoffin counties.

In Lawrence County, the project involves three sections of roadway, including a 0.5-mile section of Ky. 3 (Madison Avenue) from North Vinson Street to Ky. 32, a 0.8-mile section of Ky.32 (Blaine-Louisa Road) from Ky. 32C to Ky. 2565 and a 0.4-mile section of Ky. 2565 (Pocahontas Street) from Levisa Street to Ky. 3. Mountain Enterprises Inc. was awarded the contract for \$410,613. Completion date is set for Nov. 15.

In the Johnson County, the project involves two sections of road-

way, including 1.6-mile section of Ky. 172 (West Liberty-Paintsville Road) from Williams Creek to Ky. 689 and a 7-mile section of Ky. 201 (Paintsville-Blaine Road) from Ky. 1559 to the Lawrence County line. Mountain Enterprises was awarded the contract for \$791,808.

Two sections of roadway in Floyd County will get asphalt, including a 4.2-mile section of Ky. 122 (Martin-Wheelwright Road) from Ky. 80 to Shop Branch of Hunter and a 2.3-mile section of Ky. 2555 (West Prestonsburg Road) from Ky. 114 to Archer Park Road. Mountain Enterprises Inc. was

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Prescription medication take-back event slated

Food City has partnered with Operation UNITE to collect and safely dispose of unwanted or unused medications this Saturday, April 27, which is National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day.

Six Food City Pharmacy locations in five counties, including Johnson and Floyd counties, will accept medications from residents between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is no charge for this service.

UNITE Coalition members, along with law enforcement officials, will staff drop-off locations at Food City stores located at 330

North Mayo Trail in Paintsville and 429 University Drive in Prestonsburg.

Other Food City locations are in Pike, Bell and Harlan counties.

In addition, all Kentucky State Police posts will serve as drop-off locations. In this region, KSP posts are in Ashland (Post 14) and Pikeville (Post 9).

All medication turned in at Food City or other locations will be turned over to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for disposal.



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INDICTMENTS: 41 true bills issued in Johnson

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Blanton, was indicted last month on two counts of murder in his parents' deaths.

Also named in true bills issued last week were:

- Douglas Fitzpatrick, 40, of Van Lear, charged with incest.

According to the indictment, on or about Feb. 20, 2012, Fitzpatrick allegedly committed incest by engaging in sexual intercourse with a minor under the age of 18 years, charged her to be a descendant, which resulted in serious physical injury to her.

- Matthew Cook, 25 and Isaiah Bentley, 17, both of Paintsville, charged with first-degree robbery/complicity.

According to the indictment, on or about Jan. 11, Cook and Bentley allegedly, acting alone or in complicity with each other, knowingly and unlawfully, while in the course of committing the theft of \$147 in cash from M & T Liquor Store of Paintsville, used or threatened the immediate use of physical force, while armed with a deadly weapon in an attempt to accomplish the theft.

- Paula Gamble, 33, and Terry Burchett, 38, both of Paintsville, charged in two separate indictments, one with manufacturing methamphetamine/complicity and the other with second-degree burglary/complicity.

Burchett is additionally charged with first-degree persistent felony offender.

According to the indictment, on or before March 9, Burchett and Gamble, allegedly, acting alone or in complicity with each other, entered the dwelling house of Joshua Fitch of Nippa with the intent to commit a theft and they knowingly and unlawfully manufactured methamphetamine or with intent to manufacture methamphetamine was in possession of equipment used for the manufacturing of methamphetamine.

Burchett is a previously

convicted felon in Fayette and Johnson counties.

- Jason Raymond Owens, 31, of Denver, charged in three separate indictments.

In the first indictment, Owens is charged with possession of a handgun by a convicted felon.

According to the indictment, on or about Feb. 25, Owens was allegedly in possession of a Baretta handgun after having been previously convicted of a felony in Johnson County.

In a second indictment, Owens, along with Mary Beth Smith, 45, of Hager Hill, is charged with second-degree burglary/complicity and as a second-degree persistent felony offender.

According to the indictment, on or about Feb. 25, Owens, acting alone or in complicity with Mary Beth Smith, allegedly entered the dwelling house of Ronnie Conley of Staffordsville with the intent to commit the crime of theft and is a previously convicted felon.

In the third indictment, Owens along with Lucas Moore, 26, of Lowmansville, and Donnis Skaggs, 32, of Paintsville, are charged with manufacturing methamphetamine/complicity. Moore and Skaggs are also charged with first-degree persistent felony offender and Owens is charged with second-degree persistent felony offender.

Owens is additionally charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs third offense within five years (aggravating circumstances) and operating on a suspended or revoked license.

According to the indictment, on or before March 14, Owens, Moore and Skaggs, allegedly acting alone or in complicity with each other, knowingly and unlawfully manufactured methamphetamine or with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine was in possession of two or more chemicals or two

or more items of equipment for the manufacture of methamphetamine.

Owens was allegedly operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or other substances that impair a driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle and refused to submit to a blood, urine or breath test as requested by KSP Trooper Dustin Thompson and he was also operating a motor vehicle while his license was suspended or revoked.

- Duane A. Fraley, 43, of Flat Gap, charged with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

According to the indictment, on or about Dec. 22, 2010, Fraley was allegedly in possession of a Remington rifle after having been previously convicted of a felony in Ohio.

- Lisa Ross, 49, of Blaine, charged with first-degree possession of a controlled substance.

According to the indictment, on or before March 18, Ross was allegedly in possession of a schedule II controlled substance, methamphetamine.

- Rebecca S. Barker, 20, of Genoa, W.Va., charged with prohibited acts; assistance program fraud.

According to the indictment, on or before Oct. 1, 2011, through Aug. 31, 2012, Barker allegedly knowingly and unlawfully with the intent to defraud, made a false statement or misrepresentation or by other means failed to disclose a material fact used in determining the person's qualification to receive benefits under any assistance program, or with intent to defraud, fail to report a change in the factors affecting the person's eligibility for benefits.

- John R. Daniels, 28, of West Van Lear, charged with second-degree burglary, second-degree criminal mischief and second-degree fleeing or evading police.

According to the indictment, on or about Feb. 22,

Daniels allegedly entered the dwelling house of Kayla Wireman of Paintsville with the intent to commit the crime of theft, knowingly and unlawfully damaged personal property belonging to Wireman with no right to do so and disregarded Johnson County Sheriff's Deputy David Pride-more's signs and signals to stop while attempting to elude arrest while the officer was acting within his official capacity.

- Jennifer L. Witten, 32, of Sitka, charged with two counts of second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument.

According to the indictment, on or before Dec. 15, 2012, Witten was allegedly in possession of a forged check drawn on the account of Cora Picklesimer of Sitka for the amount of \$200 and another for the amount of \$500, with the intent to defraud.

Ten other people — Joseph Young, Jason Spencer, David Mullins, Karen Mullins, Evalene Childers, Frank Childers, Jon Erik Blair, Cheskla Burchett, Tiffany Beverly and Robert Parker — were charged in indictments and arrested Thursday during a roundup conducted by Operation UNITE and the Johnson County Sheriff's Office. Details of those indictments are included in a separate story in today's Big Sandy News.

Editor's note: An indictment is not an indication of guilt but a determination by a grand jury that criminal charges warrant further judicial review.

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FORUM: Drug event set for medical professionals

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sented by the Appalachian Regional Commission, Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy, Kentucky Coalition of Nurse Practitioners and Nurse Midwives, and Operation UNITE — begins with registration and a continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. Lunch is included.

Participants in the training forums are eligible to receive 4.5 continuing education credit hours for physicians,

physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, dentists, dental hygienists, pharmacists, social workers, certified alcohol and drug counselors, psychologists and certified health education specialists.

The forums are moderated by Van Ingram, executive director of the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy.

While there is no charge to attend, registration is required. Complete symposia information and on-line registration is available at www.cecentral.com/live/6653 <<http://www.cecentral.com/live/6653>> or you may call 859-257-5320 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (ET) Monday-Friday.

BIDS: Projects to begin

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awarded the contract for \$747,421.

The Magoffin County project involves two sections of roadway, including a 1.1-mile section of Ky. 40 (East Maple Street) from U.S. 460 to Ky. 2020 and a 2.7-mile section of Ky. 1415 (Rockhouse Road) from U.S. 460 to Bear Tree Fork Road. Mountain Enterprises was awarded the contract for \$353,296.

All projects are scheduled to be completed by Nov. 15.

In all, nearly 60 asphalt rehab contracts were awarded in the state in April with more to be awarded this year.



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CLEANUP: 13 arrested in roundup

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“Chat” Burchett, Tammy Brink, Wilma Bates, and Elmer L. Price were arrested and charged with 36 counts of drug related offenses along with Tiffany Beverly and Robert Parker, who were served with indictments but were already incarcerated at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center for unrelated offenses.

Of those arrested, 10 were charged in indictments.

Young, 24, of Van Lear, is charged in three separate indictments.

In the first indictment, Young is charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and second-degree persistent felony offender.

According to the indictment, on or before Sept. 11, 2012, Young allegedly trafficked in eight dosage units of a schedule II controlled substance, Oxycodone and he is also a previously convicted felon.

In the second indictment, Young is charged with possession of a handgun by a convicted felon.

According to the indictment, on or before Jan. 22, Young was allegedly in possession of a Remington

brand 30-06 caliber rifle, stolen from Clarence Brown of Hueysville with a value under \$10,000 and is a previously convicted felon.

Spencer, 37, of Sitka, is charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.

According to the indictment, on or before Oct. 31, 2012, Spencer allegedly trafficked in 16 dosage units of a schedule II controlled substance, Oxycodone.

David Mullins, 54, and Karen Mullins, 44, both of Wittensville, are charged with cultivating marijuana five plants or more/complicity.

According to the indictment, on or before Jan. 1, the couple acting alone or in complicity with each other cultivated over five marijuana plants.

Evalene Childers, 51, and Frank Childers, 44, both of Hager Hill, are charged in three separate indictments with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance/complicity.

Evalene Childers is also charged in a fourth indictment with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.

According to the indictments, on or before Aug. 15, 2012, the couple acting alone or in complicity with each other allegedly trafficked in 10 units of a schedule II controlled substance, Oxycodone; then again on Aug. 30, 2012, trafficked 12 units of Oxycodone and on Nov. 14, trafficked four dosage units of Oxycodone.

Evalene Childers also allegedly trafficked in seven dosage units of Oxycodone

on or before Sept. 5, 2012.

Blair, 24, of Tutor Key is charged in four separate indictments.

In the first three indictments, Blair is charged with trafficking in a controlled substance.

According to the indictments, on or before Oct. 31, 2012, Blair allegedly trafficked in .206 grams of methamphetamine; on or before Nov. 27, 2012, 276 milligrams of methamphetamine and on Dec. 3, 2012, .809 grams of methamphetamine.

In the fourth indictment, Blair is charged with manufacturing methamphetamine and first-degree fleeing or evading police.

According to the indictment, on or before Dec. 4, Blair allegedly manufactured methamphetamine or with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine was in possession of two or more chemicals or two or more items of equipment for the manufacture of methamphetamine and in an attempt to flee, disregarded signals and commands to stop given by Johnson County Sheriff's Deputy Rodney Minix.

Burchett, 46, of Staffordsville, is charged in three separate indictments with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and second-degree persistent felony offender.

According to the indictments, on or before Aug. 31, 2012, Burchett allegedly trafficked in 11 dosage units of a schedule II controlled substance, Oxycodone; on or before Sept. 18, 2012, eight dosage units of Oxycodone and on or before

Oct. 18, 2012, 12 dosage units of Oxycodone, and she is a previously convicted felon.

Parker, 30, and Beverly, 23, both of Sitka, are charged with manufacturing methamphetamine/complicity.

Parker is additionally charged with first-degree persistent felony offender.

According to the indictment, on or before Oct. 25, 2012, Parker and Beverly, allegedly acting alone or in complicity with each other manufactured methamphetamine with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine.

“We said from day one, if you are going deal in prescription, or any other drugs, we’ll arrest you,” Johnson County Sheriff Dwayne Price said in a press release. “We have had several successful roundups and will continue to do so as long as drugs continue to be sold and distributed in our county.”

The press release included facts from the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy showing that the top three controlled prescription drugs that have a high addiction rate are hydrocodone (Lortab, Lorcet and Vicodin); oxycodone (Oxycontin and Percocet) and alprazolam (Xanax). Facts also show the drugs are the top three most common drugs being prescribed and in

Kentucky, more than 1,000 people die each year from abuse of the painkillers.

More Kentuckians are dying from overdoses than traffic accidents, the release said.

“We’ve made an impact in the county, but it is like bandaging a gaping wound,” Price said. “It has slowed down, but we still have more work to do and we need the help of every single

resident of Johnson County. If you see something fishy, call it in! You can call anytime. There will be someone available 24-hours per day, seven days a week to answer your call.”

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DOCTOR: Hazeltine pays \$50,000 to settle case

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revealed Hazeltine couldn't account for 4,967 pills and at least 10 purchasing records for controlled substances.

On November 26, 2012, the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure entered into an agreed order of indefinite restriction with Hazeltine that prevented her from prescribing, dispensing or utilizing controlled substances until approved by the Panel. Hazeltine was also under an agreed order of indefinite restriction on Aug. 17, 2006, and it was terminated on Aug. 28, 2009.

On May 30, 2012, the DEA served an administrative inspection warrant at Hazeltine's practice during which officials found an unexplained shortage of 4,967 dosage units of hydrocodone, about 20 percent of the total amount purchased, according to board records.

Hazeltine acknowledged taking hydrocodone for migraines and herniated discs in her back, but denied taking any of the purchased stock herself, according to the agreed order.

Hazeltine maintained that she had obtained all of her

prescriptions through legitimate means.

The DEA inspector also alleged that the hydrocodone stock was not legally stored or safeguarded in Hazeltine's practice, the order said. After reviewing the DEA information, the board requested a review of Hazeltine's prescribing practices by the Office of the Inspector General.

The review revealed potential problems, including patient age, addictive drug combinations, distance traveled, polypharmacy, dosing amounts, early refills, similar last names of patients and self-prescribing.

The reviewer selected 19 patient records to be reviewed and 12 of those records were obtained and reviewed by a board consultant, the agreed order said.

In an approximately 133-page report dated Nov. 7, 2012, the consultant found a number of violations.

The report said that Hazeltine “appears to run a niche pain management clinic within the confines of a greater family practice and that standard protocols for the practice of pain management were not

followed; no drug screens or pills counts documented; nor were any KASPER inquiries performed.”

The report also noted that there was an “alarming number of call-ins for controlled substances with no doctor's signature on the call-in prescriptions and no documentation that any of the actions were authorized by a physician.”

Hazeltine also scheduled patients to receive controlled substances in her office twice monthly, a higher frequency than the norm of once monthly, with the exception of controlled substances being called into the pharmacy, the report said.

“Hazeltine appears to be very quick (beyond the norm) to prescribe controlled substances (namely hydrocodone and benzodiazepines),” the agreed order said. “Documentation did not always fully support treatment decisions. A number of patients were likely candidates for the discontinuation of some or all of these controlled substances. On the whole, based on objective evidence, this reviewer is left with the subjective impression that Hazeltine supported a practice culture that was ‘fast and loose’ with the prescription of the controlled substances. On aggregate, evidence of a consistent pattern of probably negligence in the prescription of controlled substances was found with specific negligence regarding the documentation of these prescriptions.”

The agreed order also said that Hazeltine had suffered from a variety of medical issues that had prevented her from engaging in the practice of medicine and may prevent her from doing so for the foreseeable future.

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game plan for your job search.

The Johnson County Job Club will meet starting at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 1, at the E-Center at 320 Second Street in Paintsville. The Floyd County Job Club will meet starting at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 9, at 686 North Lake Drive in Prestonsburg.

The Job Clubs are brought to you by a partnership between Big Sandy Area Community Action Program (BSACAP), Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program (EKCEP), and the Kentucky Career Center Office of Employment and Training (OET).

Career experts in the Job Club partnership have brought together a program powered by the career-advising industry's best ideas and tools to help those searching for employment build the skills and connections they need to find rewarding new work.

In Job Club, members will build job leads, get top job search advice, have access to job networking opportunities, and build a professional employer-approved résumé.

All new members are asked to arrive 30 minutes prior for new member orientation.

For more information or to speak with a career advisor about the Johnson County Job Club, call Sandy Grimm at 606-789-2857. For information about the Floyd County job Club, call Walter Zimmerman at (606) 886-2948.

KOGA to host meeting today

PRESTONSBURG — The Kentucky Oil and Gas Association (KOGA) will host its April membership meeting at Jenny Wiley State Park today (Wednesday), with House Speaker Greg Stumbo to be the keynote speaker for the evening meeting.

As a service to its members and registered guests, KOGA is presenting a special technical program at 4:30 p.m. about the Berea Sandstone oil play that is currently underway in Eastern Kentucky.

A team of presenters that includes David Harris from the Kentucky Geological Survey, Ellen Montgomery from Crescent Directional Drilling and Derek Hina from Universal Well Services will provide an overview of the current activity, as well as a description of the geology of the play and thoughts and recommendations on drilling and completion practices. Brent McDaniel from Blackridge Resources will moderate the program.

Thirty-four Kentucky counties reported active natu-

ral gas production in 2012 while 60 counties reported oil production. Historically, over 90 percent of natural gas production has been in Eastern Kentucky counties.

The Kentucky Oil & Gas Association was formed in 1931 to represent the interests

of Kentucky's crude oil and natural gas industry. Kentucky has over 44,800 active wells, of which, 25,500 are oil wells and 19,300 are natural gas wells. Nationally, Kentucky ranks 22nd in oil production and 18th in natural gas produc-

Johnson spring cleanup May 1-31

PAINTSVILLE — The Johnson County Fiscal Court will sponsor its annual spring cleanup May 1-31.

During that period, Johnson County residents can take unwanted items to Apple Valley Sanitation any week day from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. free of charge.

Items that will not be accepted include household garbage, construction materials, tires, yard waste, brush and liquids.

Residents must present a valid driver's license or some form of identification showing their Johnson County address.

"Judge (Tucker) Daniel and the Johnson County Fiscal Court encourage all citizens of Johnson County to avail themselves of the opportunity to clean up our county," a release from the judge's office said. "Please help by taking a personal claim in making Johnson County a cleaner, healthier place to live. You can make a difference."

DRILL: Mock disaster scheduled in area counties

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comprised of the following counties in the FIVCO and Big Sandy area development districts: Boyd, Carter, Elliott, Floyd, Greenup, Johnson, Lawrence, Magoffin, Martin and Pike.

Local disciplines involved in this coalition include emergency management, hospitals, long-term care centers, local health departments, emergency medical services, rehabilitation centers, schools, coroners, fire departments, 911 centers, mental health, and non-profits like American Red Cross and Christian Appalachia Project. The HPC's overall mission is to

coordinate medical activities, efforts and resources within the region to mount a more appropriate, effective and efficient response to related healthcare disasters.

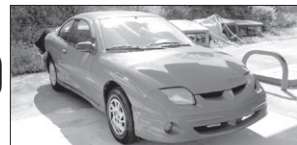
The HPC receives CDC funding from the Kentucky Hospital Association and the Department for Public Health to help build capacity and capability for disaster preparedness in the region. The coalition is constantly addressing potential regional disaster needs by formulating and revising emergency response plans, stockpiling disaster supplies and equipment and developing mutual aid agreements with adjacent counties and regions.

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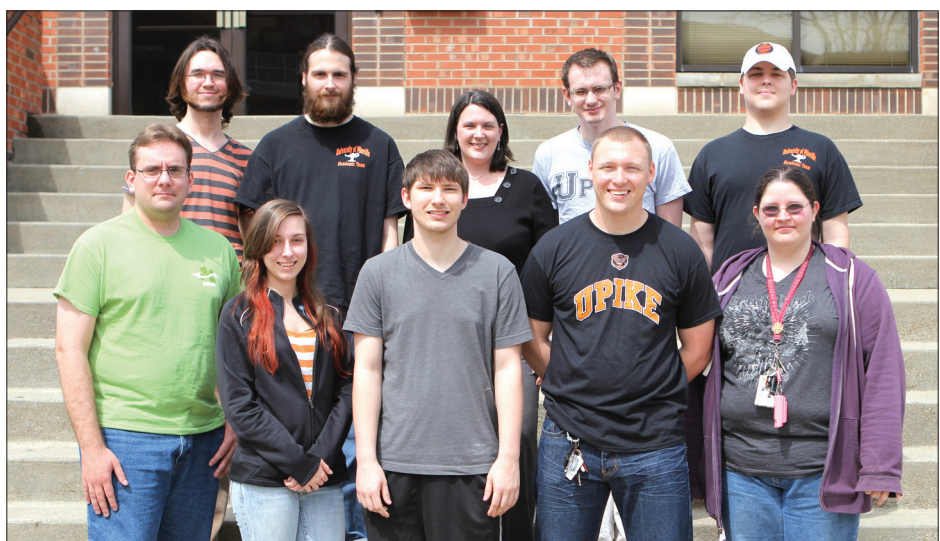
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MULTI-TALENTED



THE PAINTSVILLE INDEPENDENT Schools 4-H held its annual talent show Friday, March 22. Students competed in voice, lip sync, instrumental and dance. Winners will advance to countywide completion in April. Pictures are the participants in the talent show.



PICTURED, FRONT ROW, from left, UPike academic team members Luke Bolt, Nikki Liesegang, Josh Napier, B.T. Sager and Eva Gardner. Second row, from left, Blaine Vance, Christian Wright, Coach Runyon, Thomas Browning and Stephen Loader.

UPike team earns 8 trophies

PIKEVILLE — Bringing home eight trophies, some of the University of Pikeville's best and brightest recently completed a successful season of academic competition in the Kentucky Collegiate Quick Recall League (KCQL).

The University of Pikeville's Division I academic team (juniors and seniors) completed the season in second place and the Division II team (freshmen and sophomores) finished third in the overall rankings.

"I am so proud of the UPike Academic Team," said Amanda Jo Runyon, instructor of developmental English and academic team coach. "During the past year I have witnessed amazing growth in the number of team members as well as dedication and talent. They work hard in their own competitions and they work equally as hard to serve the community by spreading the love of academic competition to local middle school and high school students. We have had a wonderful season and I can't wait to see them in action again next year."

Colleges and universities throughout Kentucky and surrounding states competed in KCQL tournaments during the 2012-2013 academic year. Participants included University of Louisville, Eastern Kentucky University, University of the Cumberlands, University of Ohio Southern, University of Miami Ohio, Jefferson Community and Technical College, Big Sandy Community and Technical College and Murray State University.

The final tournament of the season was hosted by the University of Louisville. UPike's Division II finished first in the tournament and Division I placed second among the 10 competing schools.

Each year, coaches in the league nominate two students to be included on the All League Team. UPike's Thomas Browning of Pikeville and Christian Wright of Elkhorn City were named to the All League Team for their performance and dedication to the team.

Runyon was also named president of the Kentucky Collegiate Quick Recall

League for the 2013-2014 academic year.

The UPIKE academic team hosted three tournaments for students of all ages: KCQL tournament for college students, the "2 Smart 4 Drugs" tournament with UNITE Pike for Pike County high school students and "The Coal Bowl" in conjunction with Mullins School and Cedar Coal for middle school students. The team from UPIKE also hosted three practice sessions with local high schools.

Members of the university's academic team include Byron Allen of Jackson; Katherine Baker and Josh Napier

of Busy; Luke Bolt of Banner; Browning, Stephen Campbell, Courtney Collins, Felicia Jones, Josh Little, Vonda Penley and Stephen Loader of Pikeville; Steven Deaton of Bulan; Richard Dempsey of Delbarton, W.Va.; Eva Gardner of Sheperdsville; Megan Johnson of West Van Lear; Nikki Liesegang of Irvine; Collan McCoy of Inez; Evan Pittman of Ashland; Jentra Robinson of Shelbiana, B.T. Sager of Grove City, Ohio; Christopher Blaine Vance of Hardy; and Wright. Mike Holcomb, associate professor of mathematics, serves as an advisor for the team.

Tips for reducing discomfort in eyes

FRANKFORT — Each spring, as Kentuckians welcome the long-awaited change of the season, spring also brings the unwelcome discomfort of seasonal eye allergies. Symptoms include swollen eye lids, dry eye, bloodshot eyes, or itchy, watery eyes.

According to the Kentucky Optometric Association (KOA), irritation occurs when the eye comes in contact with pollen, dander, smog and mold. The body's immune response includes the release of the chemical histamine, which causes the redness, burning and itching associated with eye allergies.

"People who experience eye allergy symptoms should visit their local eye doctor," said Dr. Max Downey, an optometrist in Campbellsville. "We can provide a proper diagnosis, so patients can receive the best treatment, which could range from over-the-counter allergy drops to prescriptive medicines."

In addition, the KOA offers the following tips to help reduce the discomfort of seasonal eye allergies:

- Maintain a healthy diet: Foods rich in anti-oxidants, including spinach, kale, broccoli carrots and red peppers, help improve the immune system and combat the symptoms of eye allergies.

- Use preservative-free lubricating eye drops:

Although antihistamines can help with typical symptoms like runny noses and sneezing, doctors of optometry warn those medications can make eye symptoms worse by reducing tear quality and quantity. The KOA recommends using preservative-free eye drops or, if you wear contact lenses, rewetting drops.

- Take fish oil supplements: Omega-3 fish oil also has anti-inflammatory properties that can help reduce redness and irritation.

- Apply a cold compress: This will provide quick, temporary relieve from itching and redness by constricting the blood vessels that are releasing histamine in the eyes.

Downey also said simple steps such as not touching or rubbing your eyes; washing your hands often with soap and water; and washing bed linens and pillowcases in hot water and detergent to reduce allergens will help allergy sufferers.

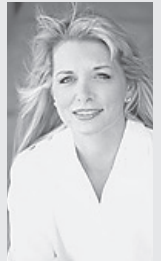
In addition to discussing allergy relief with your optometrist, the Kentucky Optometric Association also recommends adults have yearly eye exams. Based on an individual's eye health and the severity of his or her eye allergies, the eye doctor may recommend more frequent visits.

To find an optometrist in your area, visit www.kyeyes.org.

3 common browser misconceptions explained

by Kim Komando

Kim Komando hosts the nation's largest talk radio show about consumer electronics, computers and the Internet.



The World Wide Web is so ingrained in our digital lives that it's easy to forget how awe-inspiring it really is. Don't believe me?

We know that there were 634 million active websites at the end of 2012 - 51 million more than 2011.

Each site might have multiple pages, so experts guess that the Web might have as many as 1 trillion Web pages!

That's probably why the world's 2.4 billion Internet users needed to run 1.2 trillion Google searches last year!

Of course, none of this surfing and searching would be possible without something else that often gets taken for granted: the humble Web browser. Many people have misconceptions about browsers. Let's clear them up.

1. A browser is a search provider - When asked what a browser is, it's common for people to start rattling off names like Google, Bing and Yahoo. In the non-digital world, browsing and searching are similar activities. When you're shopping in a store, you "browse" the aisles "searching" for items.

In the digital sense, however, they are two very different things. A search provider is a company, like Google or Yahoo, with a website. When you search, your activity is done on one site.

A browser, on the other hand, is the program you use to access the entire Internet. You can access millions of sites, not just search providers.

Think of your browser like a TV and websites like channels. If someone asks you what kind of TV you have, you would say Sony or Samsung, not Discovery or Disney.

Confusion alert: Most browsers do have a built-in search feature. However, this is just a faster way of visiting a search provider's site and performing a search.

This might seem like I'm splitting hairs, but for us tech people it really is a big deal. You don't know how many people I've tried to help who can't tell me what browser they use. In some cases, it can make all the difference to figuring out the problem.

So, what browser names should you know? There are more than a dozen browsers around, but only a few major ones. These are: Internet Explorer, Safari, Chrome, Firefox and Opera.

That leads us to the second misconception.

2. Web browsers are all the same - A browser is transparent technology. For the most part, you don't really think about your browser; you just use it. That's how more technology should be!

Of course, at some point you do need to think about your browser. Just like older TVs can't display the newest movies and shows correctly, older browsers have trouble with newer Web standards, like HTML5. That means you aren't seeing newer websites the way you should. In some cases, they won't even show up!

Then there's the security issue. Every day, hackers create thousands of new threats that target your computer, and your browser is a doorway that could let any of them in.

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Wednesday, April 24

Due to the veterans benefits field representative being on extended medical leave, a regional administrator will be at the Boyd County Courthouse today from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Monday, May 6, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Tuesday, May 7, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., to assist veterans who may need assistance.

Thursday, April 25

The Johnson County Public Library will discuss the book "Last to Die", 12:10-12:50 p.m. Bring your own lunch and drink. For information or reserve a book, call 606-789-4355.

Johnson County Relay Friends will meet at 5:30 p.m., at the Paintsville First Christian Church (use back entrance). Food will be served. All committee members and team captains are encouraged to attend.

An organizational meeting of the Kentucky Mountain Humane Society will be held at the Old Floyd County Courthouse at 7 p.m., to organize all of the local humane societies into a regional group

to promote the better treatment of animals and to improve and/or establish local animal shelters. For information, call 606-886-6090, or e-mail pillersn@gmail.com.

Friday, April 26

In observance of April being Prevent Child Abuse Awareness Month, a "Stand Up For Children" event will be held from 5-7 p.m. Registration will be from 4:30-5 p.m., at the Lawrence county Cooperative Extension Office, Louisa. Parents/guardians will attend several sessions, each 15 minute session will earn participants a ticket toward prizes (must be present to win); there will also be activities for children.

There will be a free clothing and household giveaway today and Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., both days, at the Old Middle Creek Fire Department, Ky. Rt. 114, Prestonsburg. Donations are accepted. For information, call 606-886-8481, or 606-226-3525.

Louisa Headstart is now taking applications for 3-4 year olds, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at the Louisa West Elementary

School. For information, call 606-638-9060.

Saturday, April 27

The Lawrence County Humane Society will have its annual "Walk For the Animals" at Louisa Main Street Park, across from the library. Activities begins at 8:30 a.m. For information, call 606-615-0469, or email: leonikaallen@hotmail.com.

Autism Awareness 5K walk will be at the Lawrence County High School, 100 Bulldog Lane, Louisa. Registration begins at 8 a.m., with race at 9 a.m. Proceeds goes to Highlands Autism Center Scholarship Foundation. For information, call 540-424-1555, e-mail eesammons@gmail.com or on Facebook.

The 7th annual Flannery reunion will be held at the Oldtown Volunteer Fire Department, Greenup County, beginning at noon. For information, call 606-473-7948.

A cemetery preservation workshop presented by Kentucky Historical Society will be held 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Ramada, Paintsville, for the counties of Johnson, Magoffin, Floyd, Martin, and Pike counties; and Saturday, May 11, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at Carter Caves State Resort Park, 344 Caveland Drive, Olive Hill, for Carter, Boyde, Greenup, Lawrence, and Elliott counties. Each workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. For information, call 502-564-1792, ext. 4404, or email annj.johnson@ky.gov.

The Johnson County 4-H Variety Show will be held 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at Johnson Central High School gym. All acts performed at the school level must be the same performances during the county show. Session #1 will be 10 a.m.-noon; intermission noon-12:30 p.m.; session #2 will be 12:30-2:30 p.m. Proceeds will be used to pay for school custodians. For information, call 606-789-8108.

Monday, April 29

The Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking classes are on-going at Saint Joseph-Martin every Monday, at 10:30 a.m., in the Sexton Complex lower level conference room. For information, call 606-285-6691.

Tuesday, April 30

There will be an Johnson County Extension Homemakers lesson, "Saving Water and Energy in your Home and Garden", 10 a.m.; and a Home-maker Council meeting at 1 p.m., at the Johnson County Cooperative Extension Service, 826 F.M. Stafford Ave., Paintsville. For information, call 606-789-8108.

The Kentucky Blood Center will have a bloodmobile from 12:30-5:30 p.m., at the Magoffin County Community Center, Hardin Medical Plaza, Rt. 460, Salyersville. For information, call 800-775-2322, or visit kybloodcenter.org.

Parent elections for the Johnson Central High School Site Based Council will be in the lobby from 5-7 p.m. Letters of application must be turned in by Friday, April 26.

Miscellaneous

The East Kentucky Fishers of Men Team series will be held at Yatesville Lake; Saturday, April 27, at Paintsville Lake; Saturday, May 25, at Cave Run Lake; Saturday, June 8, on the Ohio River. Legacy Series is Saturday, June 1, at Yatesville Lake; and Saturday, June 22, at Paintsville Lake. For information, call 859-498-8169.

A veterans benefits field representative will be at the Floyd County Public Library, Prestonsburg, Wednesday, May 1, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., for veterans and their dependents. This is a free service. For information, call 866-647-2926.

There will be a support group meeting for parents/guardians of autistic children, Thursday, May 2, 7 p.m., at the Haven of Rest, 1601 Airport Road, Inez. For information, call 606-298-0520.

The Big Sandy Council on

elder maltreatment will meet Thursday, May 2, at 10 a.m., at the Big Sandy Area Development District, 110 Resource Court, Prestonsburg. For information, call 606-886-2374, ext. 335.

The Lawrence County Saddle Club will meet Friday, May 3, at 8 p.m., at the Fallsburg Community Center. For information, call 606-686-2735.

There will be a 10-year anniversary at "The Upstairs Gallery" on Friday, May 3, 5:30-8 p.m., for the First Friday Art Walk, 1428 Winchester Ave., Ashland. Virginia Monti and Andrea Monti Riffe, local Ashland resident and daughter from Louisa will have a book signing in the gallery. Live guitar music by Brian Brown and Crew from Paintsville; demo by gallery resident, Lisa Smith will do

pencil drawings. Bill and Sally Salyers Art Showing in Thoroughbred Gallery will be show directly below The Upstairs Gallery, 1430 Winchester Ave.

Spring clean-up volunteers wanted! Thelma Community Clean-up annual indoor yard sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 3-4. Call 606-789-6866 or 606-477-7647, to reserve a table to sell or to donate items. All proceeds stay in the community.

The Pikeville Medical Weight Loss Surgery Center will host a "Reclaim Your Life" 5K (3.2 mile) race and one mile fun run/walk on Saturday, May 4, at the plaza of the East Kentucky Expo Center, Pikeville. Registration will begin at 8 a.m., with race at 9 a.m., fun run/walk at 9:10 a.m. For information, call 606-218-4509.

The Lawrence County Quilted Treasures Quilt Show will be held Saturday, May 4, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Lawrence County Extension Office, 249 Industrial Park Road, Louisa.

Grayson RECC will hold their annual membership meeting on Thursday, May 9, at Grayson RECC headquarters. Registration will be 7:30 a.m., to 6 p.m. Light refreshments will be served all day. The annual business meeting will be at 6 p.m., and all members are encouraged to attend. Door prizes will be awarded. For information, call 606-474-5136, or 800-562-3532.

Goodwill Industries at 343 North Mayo Trail, Paintsville, is now accepting donations of clothing and household items. Donations may be dropped off Monday thru Saturday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., and Sunday, 1-6 p.m.

Church Corner

Van Lear Church of Christ

There will be a gospel meeting at the Van Lear Church of Christ, Friday, May 3, through Sunday, May 5, at 7 p.m. nightly. The guest speaker will be Brother James D. McDonald of Woodbury, Tenn. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Myrtle Chapel Church

Myrtle Chapel Non-Denominational Community Church will have a revival beginning Sunday, April 28. Services will begin at 6 p.m., on Sunday and 7 p.m., weeknights. Preaching will be Everett Swafford and Greg Caudill. Sunday School is held every Sunday at 10 a.m., followed by morning worship at 11 a.m. Services are also held

every Thursday at 7 p.m. Pastor John May welcomes everyone to all services.

Yatesville Church

Services will be held at the Yatesville Church, Thursday, April 25, at 7 p.m. Services are held every Sunday, beginning with Sunday School at 10:30 a.m., followed by worship service at 11 a.m. Pastor Jim Wilkinson welcomes everyone to attend.

Old Path Baptist Church

Old Path Baptist Church of Blaine will have a series of fellowship meetings beginning on Saturday, April 27, at 7 p.m., nightly, and run thru Sunday, May 5. Different preachers and singers nightly. Pastor Robert Kelley welcomes everyone to services.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints of Wittensville, presents "The Mormons Next Door," at the Paintsville Recreation Center, Sunday, April 28, 4-6 p.m. There will be guest speakers, music, and refreshments. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sitka Freewill Baptist Church

Sitka Freewill Baptist Church will be having their annual yard sale on Friday and Saturday, May 3-4, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. There will be clothing, miscellaneous items and a hot dog sale with chips, drink and dessert. Everyone is welcome.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



MADISON JARRELL OF Flat Gap recently celebrated her birthday with a Mexican dinner.

BROWSER:

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is theirs. That's not a good thought.

Obviously, you want security software installed as defense. You can find plenty of great, free security software here.

However, an up-to-date browser is also a good defense. Newer browsers have security features that older browsers don't, like sandboxing and integration with Windows' latest security systems. Plus, they've fixed the security flaws found in older browsers that hackers like to exploit.

So, for those running Internet Explorer 6, 7 or 8, Firefox 3, or older versions of Chrome, it's time to upgrade. If you don't know what version of your browser you're using, it's usually under Help>>About. You can also visit this website.

Once you upgrade, you'll be in good shape. Newer browsers automatically install updates to stay fast and secure.

So, newer browsers are better than older browsers, but are browser brands different? For example, Windows and OS X come with Internet Explorer and Safari, respectively, installed by default. Is there any reason to replace Internet Explorer with Firefox, Chrome or Opera?

If you're running Windows XP, the answer is a resounding YES! XP can't run any IE8 version newer than 8, and IE8 is terrible for browsing speed and security.

If you're still using IE8, I strongly recommend you switch to another browser. The latest, safest, fastest versions of Chrome, Firefox and Opera will work in XP.

For those running Windows Vista, 7, 8 or Mac OS X, the difference between browsers isn't so great. If you have the latest version of your browser, they're all similar in performance and security. However, they do have different focuses.

The best part is that they're all free, so you can download and test them out. In fact, you might end up using multiple browsers to deal with multiple tasks.

Firefox is great for people who love to have lots of tabs

open at once and like to customize their experience with add-ons. Chrome is geared toward speed and staying out of the way. Opera is a solid all-around browser for speed and features, plus it works the same on every gadget. Internet Explorer 10 is fine for people who don't want to mess around with a third-party browser.

And that brings us to the final misconception.

3. You're stuck with your default mobile browser - On the whole, the default mobile browsers on smartphones and tablets are less than stellar. iOS users get a mobile version of Safari. Android uses a generic Android browser. Windows Phone 8 smartphones and Windows RT tablets have a mobile version of Internet Explorer 10.

As far as speed and features go, these aren't on par with desktop browsers. Fortunately, there are plenty of third-party alternatives that improve speed, security and features.

For example, there's a mobile version of Opera called Opera Mini that is very popular. Google and Mozilla make mobile versions of Chrome and Firefox respectively. If you use the desktop version of the browser, you can even sync your bookmarks.

Then there are browsers that aren't from one of the major companies. Dolphin is a popular Android alternative. There are even browsers like BSecure that offer content filtering for kids.

Again, most of these browsers are free, so you can try them out and see which one you like best.

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Tigers win two district games over LCHS, turn back Rowan

PAINTSVILLE — The Paintsville Tigers posted back-to-back wins over the Lawrence County Bulldogs last week in a key 57th District baseball series.

Paintsville defeated Lawrence County 7-1 on Wednesday and 9-4 on Thursday.

Paintsville 7, Lawrence County 1
Paintsville senior Matt Miller earned the win on the mound Wednesday evening as Paintsville defeated host Lawrence County 7-1.

Miller, who also starred on the basketball floor at Paintsville, kept Lawrence County scoreless through five innings.

Lawrence County plated its lone run in the sixth inning.

Paintsville moved ahead 5-0, thanks in part to a double from Taylor Miller and a Brooks Pelphey sacrifice fly.

Each team committed two errors.

Paintsville 9, Lawrence County 4

The Tigers, playing at home on Thursday, took advantage of six Lawrence County errors to defeat the Bulldogs 9-4.

Visiting Lawrence County scored first, then went quiet offensively. The Tigers answered with four runs in the bottom half of the first inning.

Luke Daniels got Paintsville going with a double.

Daniels eventually scored on a single by teammate Colby Burchett.

After reaching base, Burchett scored on a double from teammate Gabe Burchell and an error by the Lawrence County outfield.

Lane Daniels provided the biggest hit for Paintsville in the first inning when he connected on a four-run home run to complete the Tigers' scoring.

Lawrence County couldn't recover after Paintsville's initial plate appearance.

The Tigers committed a pair of errors in the winning effort.

Tigers turn back Rowan County

PAINTSVILLE — Host Paintsville managed to fend off Rowan County's challenge Friday night, defeating the visiting Vikings 5-3 at Charlie Adkins Field.

Paintsville posted its eighth straight win, moving to 12-3 overall.

Starting pitcher Taylor Miller earned the win for the Tigers. Reliable reliever Spencer Taylor picked up the save as Paintsville, one of the hottest teams in the 15th Region, remained in the win column.

Paintsville hasn't lost since falling to Pikeville in the

15th Region All "A" Classic on April 1.

The Tigers, under the direction of head coach John Miller, scored in four separate innings.

Paintsville scored first, pushing one run across in the bottom half of the opening inning. The Tigers, after taking the early 1-0 advantage, gave up a pair of runs in the top half of the second but managed to answered. The Tigers scored two runs in the bottom half of the second inning to move ahead 3-2, this time for good.

Brandon Haight delivered a home run and two RBI for Paintsville in the second in the inning. Gabe Burchell also went deep for Paintsville, sending a Rowan County pitch over the fence in the fifth inning.

Paintsville plated its five runs on six hits. The Tigers overcame a defensive performance that included five errors.

Rowan County manufactured three runs on five hits. The Vikings committed three errors in the loss.

Blake Barnhorst led the Rowan County offense with a double.

Rowan County pitcher John Curry took the loss.

Longtime rivals Paintsville and Rowan County are not slated to meet again this season.



PAINTSVILLE NATIVE SHANE Grimm fanned a career-best 11 batters in EKU's win.

Grimm's complete game leads EKU to sweep

EDWARDSVILLE, III.

— Freshman Kenny Hostrander hit his first career home run and senior Shane Grimm, a Paintsville High School graduate, fanned 11 in a complete game performance as Eastern finished off a 3-game sweep of SIU Edwardsville with a 6-2 win on Sunday.

The Colonels (14-23, 10-8 OVC) gave Grimm all the runs he would need in the second inning. With two outs, Alex Hughes singled to left field and Luke Wurzelbacher was hit by a pitch. Hostrander followed with a 3-run home run over the left field fence.

Grimm (4-4) allowed two runs on seven hits over nine innings. He walked two and struck out a career-best 11.

SIU Edwardsville (9-25, 6-15 OVC) closed to within one after scoring one run each in the fourth and fifth innings on solo home runs by Devin Caldwell and Zach Little.

Wurzelbacher gave Eastern some insurance with a

2-run homer in the seventh. Hostrander added a RBI single in the ninth. He finished 2-for-4 with a run and four RBI. Wurzelbacher's only hit was his fourth home run of the season.

Tony Schaeffer (1-3) suffered the loss after giving up four runs on three hits in six

and one-third innings of work. He walked two and struck out two. Little finished 2-for-4 with a run and a RBI.

Eastern Kentucky has now won three straight OVC series, two of which have been sweeps.

Rice named JCHS head coach

PAINTSVILLE — A major move took place in 57th District girls' basketball last week as Darrin Rice left the Sheldon Clark program to return home to Johnson County to coach the Johnson Central Lady Eagles.

Rice, who replaces Selena Cochran at the helm of the Johnson Central girls' basketball program, spent six seasons at Sheldon Clark. During his stint at Sheldon Clark, Rice compiled a 114-55 overall record, winning two 15th Region All "A" Classic championships and one 15th Region championship.

Sheldon Clark finished runner-up to Shelby Valley in the 15th Region this past season.

Rice and his family are lifelong Johnson County residents.

Sheldon Clark is currently searching for a new head coach.

The new Johnson Central girls' basketball head coach was introduced in the Johnson Central High School library last Tuesday afternoon. As head coach at Sheldon Clark, Rice compiled a 33-15 record against 57th District competition. Prior to accepting the

Sheldon Clark girls' basketball job, Rice served as an assistant on the Johnson Central boys' basketball staff.

Rice's youngest son, Patrick, has also transferred from Sheldon Clark to Johnson Central. A freshman, Patrick Rice helped to lead the Sheldon Clark boys' basketball team to a runner-up finish in the 15th Region. He was also a key player for the Sheldon Clark football team.

Darrin Rice inherits a Johnson Central girls' basketball team that concluded the 2012-13 season 14-16.

Miklavcic among KHSAA Hall of Fame honorees

LEXINGTON — The KHSAA Hall of Fame Class of 2013 was honored at the Association's annual banquet on Saturday, April 13, at the Lexington Center's Bluegrass Ballroom.

The nine-member Class of 2013 includes former Paintsville High School track coach Frank Miklavcic.

Miklavcic's contributions to the sports of track and field and cross country are an important reason why the sports enjoy the nationwide level of respect among their peers. A longtime coach at first Paintsville and later Frankfort, Miklavcic consistently fielded squads that were among the top of its division.

After retiring from coaching, Miklavcic continues to serve with numerous meets at all levels and serves as the executive director of the Kentucky Track and Cross Country Coaches Association. In addition to his work on the track, he has also designed several cross country courses throughout the state.

Lady Eagles topple Paintsville

PAINTSVILLE — The Johnson Central Lady Eagles remained on top in both 15th Region and 57th District softball late last week, defeating crosstown rival Paintsville 11-3 Thursday in a key district game.

Johnson Central got past Paintsville for its third straight win.

Lauren DeLong led Johnson Central with two doubles and three RBI. A balanced Johnson Central offense featured several key contributors. Rachelle and Rebeckah Fairchild and Cassandra Hall also added multiple RBI for the Lady Tigers.

Hall earned the win for Johnson Central, which improved to 10-5. The Johnson Central starting pitcher allowed only three runs on five hits.

Johnson Central made the most of its offensive opportunities, scoring 11 runs on 11 hits.

The Lady Eagles overcame three errors en route to the win.

Paintsville thrived early, scoring a pair of runs in the bottom half of the first inning to take a 2-0 lead.

After being held scoreless in each of its first three at-bats, Johnson Central broke through. The Lady Eagles used a five-run fourth inning to move ahead 5-2.

Johnson Central, under the guidance of veteran head coach Jason Hurt, scored three runs in both the sixth and seventh innings to seal the win.

Paintsville senior pitcher Maria LeMaster led the Paintsville offense with a RBI triple. LeMaster also suffered the loss.

Paintsville committed two errors in the short effort.

Johnson Central is slated

to host Paintsville this Thursday in the second and final game of the annual 57th District regular-season series.

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Dale Conn among year's top officials honored by KHSAA

On Sunday, the KHSAA honored the top officials for 2013 at the Association's 20th Annual Officials Recognition Banquet. The ceremony, conducted at the KHSAA Offices, honored the top three finalists for each sport in which the KHSAA licenses officials.

The finalists for each sport are listed below, along with the top official for the 2012-13 academic year (listed first).

Baseball — Brian Napier (Hazard), Manny Gonzalez (Lexington), Randy Ross (Morehead).

Basketball — Tim O'Hara (Newport), Dale Conn (Harold), Kevin Hembree (Middlesboro).

Football — Marion Crutcher (Vine Grove), Toby Durham (Somerset), Joe Woods (Lexington).

Soccer — John Smith (Louisville), Athanasios Mastrodous (Sonora), Ja Osterhage (Villa Hills).

Softball — Kenny Clark (Worthington), Jason Alexander (Glasgow), David Benson (Henderson).

Swimming & Diving — Bill Sherrard (Taylor Mill), Alan Hall (Russellville), Ray Stoess (Louisville).

Track & Field/Cross Country — Patty Rouse (Elizabethtown), Buddy Dittus (Burlington), Peter Urda (Louisville).

Volleyball — Rebeckah Button (Bowling Green), Matt Costello (Louisville), Adell Kemper (Lexington).

Wrestling — Joe Cattan (Louisville), Robert Johnson (Wilder), Jason Sedoris (Louisville).

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